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Jocelyn Boyd
Interim Chief Clerk
South Carolina Public Service Commission
101 Executive Center Dr., Suite 100
Columbia, SC 29210

Re: Request for Approval of the Increase in Bulk Water Provider Rates
Docket No. 2005-217-WS

Dear Ms. Boyd:

The South Carolina Office of Regulatory Staff did not receive notice of the increase and does not oppose the Company's request to pass through the increase in bulk water provider rate without further notice requirements; however, it should be noted that the Company's request was filed with this Commission on February 19, 2010, and notice was admittedly provided to the Company on or about December 3, 2009.

ORS would ask that if the Company's request is granted that the Commission also require the Company to document a process by which such notices are communicated internally such that the Company can comply with Order No. 2006-22. Further, in the bill reflecting the rate change the Company should provide an explanation of the bulk water rate increase.

Very truly yours,

Nanette S. Edwards, Esquire

cc: Parties of record